

## Digenetic Trematodes of Marine Fishes from Suva, Fiji: The Family Gyliachenidae Ozaki, 1933

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**ABSTRACT:** Three new species of gyliachenids are described from marine fishes taken at Suva, Fiji Islands: *Gyliachen pomacentri* from *Pomacentrus philippinus*, *G. parapapillatus* from *Siganus virgatus*, and *G. zancli* from *Zanclus cornutus*. *Gyliachen* sp. from *Siganus spinus* and *Apharyngogyliachen* sp. from *Scarus ghobban* are described from immature specimens and classified to generic level. *Gyliachen papillatus* of Durio and Manter (1969) nec Goto and Matsudaira (1918) and nec Goto (1919) is considered a synonym of *G. parapapillatus*. *Gyliachen nahaensis* Ozaki, 1937, is reported from *Siganus punctatus* and *Zanclus cornutus*, both new locality records and the latter a new host record. A key to all 22 adult species of Gyliachenidae and host-parasite and parasite-host lists are included as well as some observations on the zoogeography of the Gyliachenidae.

**KEY WORDS:** digenetic trematodes, parasites, Gyliachenidae, marine fishes, Fiji Islands.

Between 13 January and 7 February 1992, the senior author collected helminths of marine fishes at the Institute of Marine Resources, University of the South Pacific, Suva, Fiji Islands. Two previous collections of parasites of marine fishes from the Fiji Islands have been made: the first by Manter in 1951 (see Manter, 1953, 1961, 1963a, b, c; Manter and Prince, 1953), the second between 1979 and 1982 by the *Hatsutori Maru* and other fishing boats on charter to the government of New Zealand (see Lester et al., 1985). No gyliachenids were reported in either study. The present paper deals with representatives of Gyliachenidae Ozaki, 1933 (syn. Dissotrema-tidae Goto and Matsudaira, 1918).

To date, 19 species in 6 genera are known in the family Gyliachenidae: *Gyliachen* (8), *Paragyliachen* (2), *Flagellotrema* (4), *Ichthyotrema* (1), *Leptobulbus* (1), and *Apharyngogyliachen* (3). The description of 3 new species and 2 immature ones in this paper brings the total to 24.

### Materials and Methods

A total of 236 fishes were obtained from several sources including traps, nets, spear fishing, and commercial fishermen. Except for a few fishes that were purchased, all were captured live on reefs and lagoons of Laucala Bay, Suva, a few miles from the Institute of Marine Resources. Fifty species representing 32 genera and 20 families were collected. Six species—*Pomacentrus philippinus* (family Pomacentridae), *Scarus ghobban* (family Scaridae), *Siganus punctatus*, *Siganus spinus*, *Siganus virgatus* (family Siganidae), and *Zanclus cornutus* (family Zanclidae)—harbored gyliachenids. The fish were kept alive in tanks until shortly before examination. After removal from the host, the digeneans were washed in 0.7% saline, many studied alive before they were fixed in alcohol-formalin-acetic acid under slight coverslip pressure. The worms were

then transferred to a dish, left in the fixative overnight, and stored in 70% ethanol. Most of the worms were stained with Semichon's acetocarmine, a few with aqueous Delafield hematoxylin, dehydrated in ascending series of isopropanol, cleared in methylsalicylate, rinsed in xylol, and mounted in Kleermount.

Measurements are expressed in millimeters except for eggs, which are in micrometers ( $\mu\text{m}$ ). Sucker ratio was calculated from the mean of the length and the width and is expressed with the oral sucker taken as 1. Drawings of specimens obtained in this study were prepared by microprojection and details filled in through microscopic observations. Drawings of other species were made by tracing original figures. The number of specimens recovered from each infected fish and the number of fish examined are indicated next to each host species listed in the description.

Holotypes are deposited in the Parasite Collection of the United States National Museum (USNM), Beltsville, Maryland; vouchers of some species are in the Harold W. Manter Laboratory (HWML), University of Nebraska State Museum, Lincoln, and the British Museum of Natural History, BM(NH), London.

Fishes were identified by Johnson Seeto of the Institute of Marine Resources. References used included an unpublished manuscript on fishes of the Fiji Islands, Nelson (1984), Meyers (1989), and Randall et al. (1990).

### Results

#### *Gyliachen pomacentri* sp. n. (Fig. 1)

**TYPE HOST:** *Pomacentrus philippinus* Evermann and Seale (Pomacentridae) 1/1 of 1.

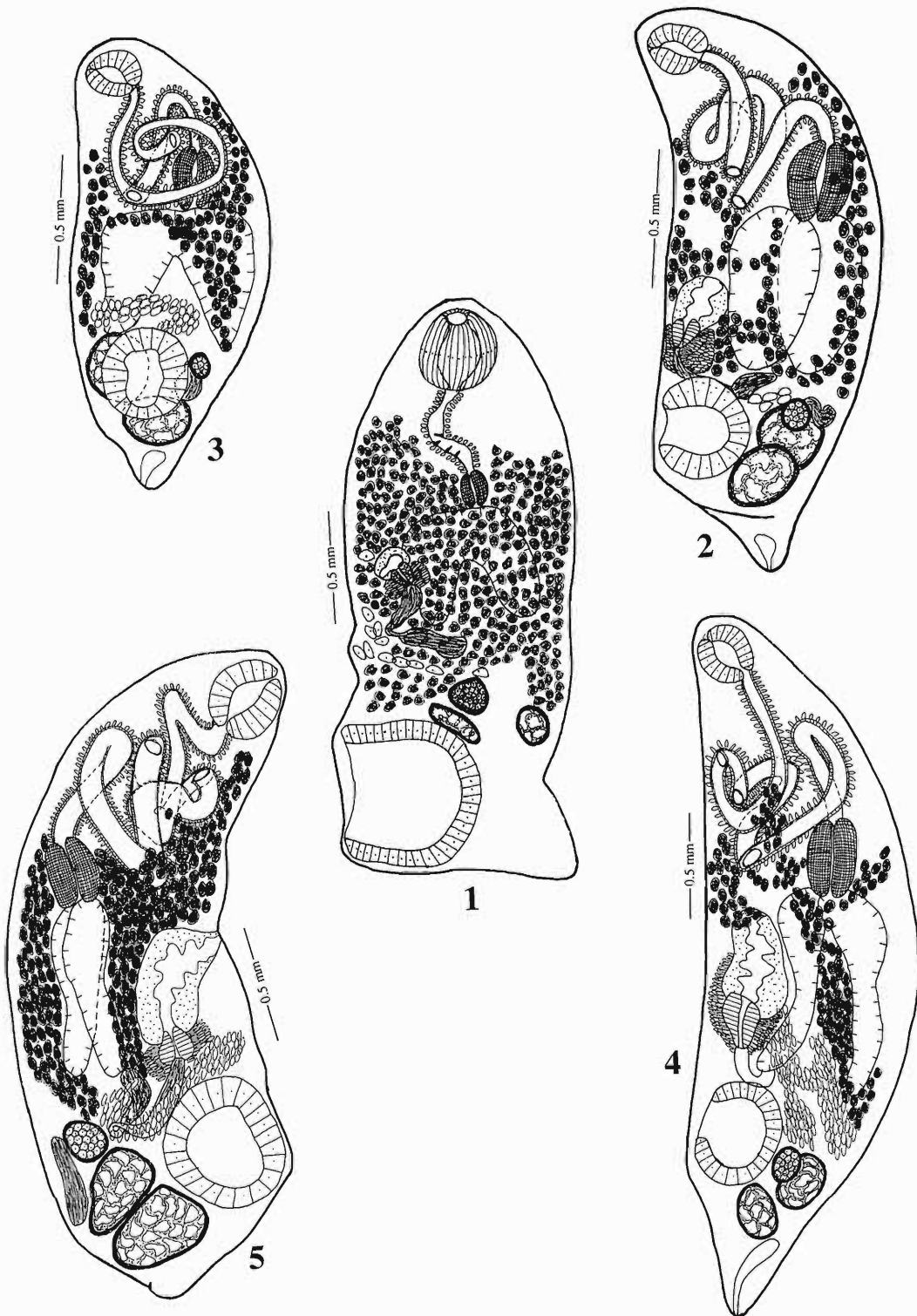
**SITE IN HOST:** Small intestine.

**TYPE LOCALITY:** Laucala Bay, Suva.

**DATE OF COLLECTION:** 3 February 1992.

**HOLOTYPE:** USNM Helm. Coll. No. 83915.

**DESCRIPTION OF HOLOTYPE:** Body broad, cylindrical, 2.50 long by 1.13 wide, rounded anteriorly, truncated posteriorly, with large excretory papilla projecting dorsally at level of ace-



Figures 1–5. 1. *Gyliaunchen pomacentri* sp. n. holotype from *Pomacentrus philippinus*, Suva, Fiji Islands. Ventral view. 2. *G. parapapillatus* sp. n. holotype from *Siganus virgatus*, Suva, Fiji Islands. Ventrolateral view. 3. *G. parapapillatus* sp. n. paratype from *Siganus virgatus*, Suva, Fiji Islands. Ventral view. 4. *G. parapapillatus* (Durio and Manter, 1969) from *Siganus lineatus*, Green Island, Queensland, Australia. Ventrolateral view. 5. *G. parapapillatus* (Durio and Manter, 1969) from *Siganus* sp., New Caledonia. Lateral view.

tabulum. Cuticle thick and smooth. Oral sucker slightly subterminal, globular, 0.36 long by 0.37 wide. Ventral sucker cup-shaped, 0.69 long by 0.61 wide, at posterior end of body. Sucker ratio 1:1.78. Prepharynx 0.45 long by 0.10 wide or about one-fifth body length, sigmoid, surrounded by glands along entire length. Pharynx small, muscular, oblong, 0.21 long by 0.15 wide. Esophagus absent. Ceca 2, widely dilated, mostly in middle third of body.

Testes 2, symmetrical, anterior to acetabulum, right testis transversely elongate, 0.10 long by 0.23 wide, left testis subglobular, 0.14 long by 0.17 wide. Seminal vesicle bipartite, L-shaped, parts separated by narrow duct. Cirrus sac relatively small, well developed, muscular, containing ovoid pars prostatica and short cirrus. Prostatic cells well developed, surrounding junction of cirrus sac and anterior portion of seminal vesicle.

Ovary globular, pretesticular, 0.17 long by 0.20 wide. Seminal receptacle overlapping ovary, poorly stained, difficult to measure. Vitellaria follicular, extending from midprepharyngeal level, dorsally and ventrally, to near anterior level of gonads. Uterus short, preovarian, containing few eggs. Eggs 65–85  $\mu$ m long by 38–45  $\mu$ m wide.

Genital pore ventrolateral at level of cecal bifurcation. Excretory vesicle not observed, pore opening at tip of large posterodorsal excretory papilla. Lymphatic system present but details not determined.

REMARKS: *Gyiliauchen pomacentri* may be distinguished from *G. caudatum* (syn. *Telotrema caudatum* Ozaki, 1933), the only other species in the genus with a relatively short prepharynx, by its body shape, greater sucker ratio, topography of gonads, and absence of a muscular sphincter near the genital opening.

When Ozaki (1933) described the genus *Telotrema* from the acanthurid *Xesurus scalprum*, he indicated that *Telotrema* can be differentiated from *Gyiliauchen* by the configuration of the prepharynx, the assembly of the male parts, and the presence of a genital sphincter. Yamaguti (1934), however, stated that “*Telotrema caudatum*, Ozaki, 1933 is apparently congeneric with *Gyiliauchen papillatus* (Goto and Matsudaira). It seems very probable that Ozaki misinterpreted the structure of the terminal genitalia, p. 529.” Ozaki (1936a, b, 1937a, b) continued to refer to this species as *T. caudatum*. Winter (1960) agreed with Ozaki and reestablished the validity of *Telotrema*. The relatively short prepharynx com-

pared to total body length in *G. pomacentri* may justify reestablishing *Telotrema* as a valid genus. However, a muscular genital sphincter is not evident, and in all other respects *T. caudatum* is typical of other species of *Gyiliauchen*.

***Gyiliauchen parapapillatus* sp. n.**  
(Figs. 2–5)

*G. papillatus* of Durio and Manter (1969) nec *G. papillatus* (Goto and Matsudaira, 1918) Goto, 1919, new synonymy.

TYPE HOST: *Siganus virgatus* (Valenciennes) (Siganidae) 42/1 of 1.

SITE IN HOST: Small intestine.

TYPE LOCALITY: Laucala Bay, Suva.

DATE OF COLLECTION: 31 January 1992.

HOLOTYPE: USNM Helm. Coll. No. 83916.

PARATYPES: HWML 37619, BM(NH) 1994.6.14.3.

DESCRIPTION (based on 42 specimens and measurements on 17 mature ones; holotype measurements in parentheses): Body crescent-shaped in life and orange in color; fixed specimens somewhat convex dorsally, tapering gradually anteriorly, 1.43–2.18 (2.18) long by 0.40–0.83 (0.83) wide, with excretory papilla projecting posterodorsally. Cuticle thick and smooth. Oral sucker globular, slightly subterminal, 0.20–0.25 (0.24) long by 0.14–0.21 (0.21) wide. Ventral sucker globular, 0.28–0.36 (0.36) long by 0.22–0.31 (0.31) wide, near posterior end of body. Sucker ratio 1:1.28–1.59 (1.49). Prepharynx about 1.5 body length, convoluted, forming 3 or 4 coils, surrounded by glands along entire length. Pharynx oblong to cylindrical, muscular, 0.23–0.34 (0.31) long by 0.17–0.32 (0.24) wide. Esophagus absent. Ceca 2, mostly in midbody third, measuring about one-third to one-fourth body length.

Testes 2, globular, 0.14–0.30 (0.24–0.29) in diameter, oblique, dorsal to ventral sucker. Seminal vesicle bipartite, parts separated by narrow constriction. Cirrus sac well developed, containing ovoid prostatic vesicle and well-developed, muscular, eversible cirrus. Prostatic cells well developed, surrounding junction of cirrus sac and anterior portion of seminal vesicle.

Ovary globular, small compared to testes, dorsal to anterior testis or to junction of 2 testes, 0.04–0.19 (0.12) in diameter. Seminal receptacle globular to saccular, large, almost contiguous with ovary, 0.10–0.28 (0.17) long by 0.07–0.18 (0.11) wide. Vitellaria follicular, extending from midprepharyngeal region to near anterior level of

anterior testis. Uterus preovarian. Eggs yellow in life, 63–78 (73–78)  $\mu\text{m}$  long by 30–50 (38–40)  $\mu\text{m}$  wide in fixed specimens.

Genital pore ventral at level of intestinal bifurcation. Excretory bladder with short duct opening at tip of excretory papilla. Lymphatic system present, seen in sagittal sections as longitudinal canals extending from anterior to posterior end of body.

**REMARKS:** *Gy liauchen parapapillatus* (Figs. 2, 3) is most similar to *G. papillatus* (Goto and Matsudaira, 1918) Goto, 1919 (Figs. 18, 19), in the anterior extent of the vitellaria, which, in both, extend to at least the midlevel of the prepharynx. The Fijian specimens differ, however, in 2 major characters, a prepharynx that is longer than body length and the relatively larger size of the intestinal ceca compared to the body. We have examined and drawn 2 specimens of *G. papillatus* (Figs. 20, 21) (USNM 37889) deposited by Fischthal and Kuntz (1964) from *Anodontostoma chacunda* from Puerto Princesa, Palawan Island, Philippines. We have also examined and drawn 2 specimens reported as *G. papillatus* by Durio and Manter (1969) from *Siganus lineatus* (HWML "A274d"; Fig. 4) from Green Island, Queensland, Australia, and from *Siganus* sp. (HWML no 618; Fig. 5) from New Caledonia.

Based on the review of pertinent literature and the figures reproduced or drawn, it is evident that 2 groups exist: one group consisting of populations from Japanese and Palawan Island waters, the second of Fijian, New Caledonian, and Australian waters. The Australian (Fig. 4) and New Caledonian (Fig. 5) material share with the Fijian specimens the longer prepharynx and the relatively larger intestinal ceca. Fischthal and Kuntz's specimens (Figs. 20, 21) have a prepharynx shorter than body length and relatively smaller intestinal ceca. We consider *G. papillatus* of Durio and Manter a synonym of *G. parapapillatus* sp. n.

Ozaki (1937b) stated, "The degree of winding is variable according to species, and even in the same species it may vary over quite a wide range; so the topographical figure of the prepharynx if not presenting a major difference had better be neglected in identification, p. 175." Our observations do not support Ozaki's statement. In each of the 42 specimens of *G. parapapillatus*, which probably represent different infections, as evidenced by differences in size and maturity, the prepharynx is about 1.5 times that of body length.

One mature specimen from *Zanclus cornutus* is very similar in body shape to 2 others identified as *G. nahaensis* except for the absence of prepharyngeal glands, shorter prepharynx, and more anterior location of the ovary. The 3 specimens, recovered from the same host and processed at the same time, were not suspected to represent different species until the stained material was studied. The description of this worm as a new species follows.

### *Gy liauchen zanclic* sp. n.

(Fig. 6)

**TYPE HOST:** *Zanclus cornutus* (Linnaeus) (Zanclidae) 1/1 of 2.

**SITE IN HOST:** Small intestine.

**TYPE LOCALITY:** Laucala Bay, Suva.

**DATE OF COLLECTION:** 6 February 1992.

**HOLOTYPE:** USNM Helm. Coll. No. 83917.

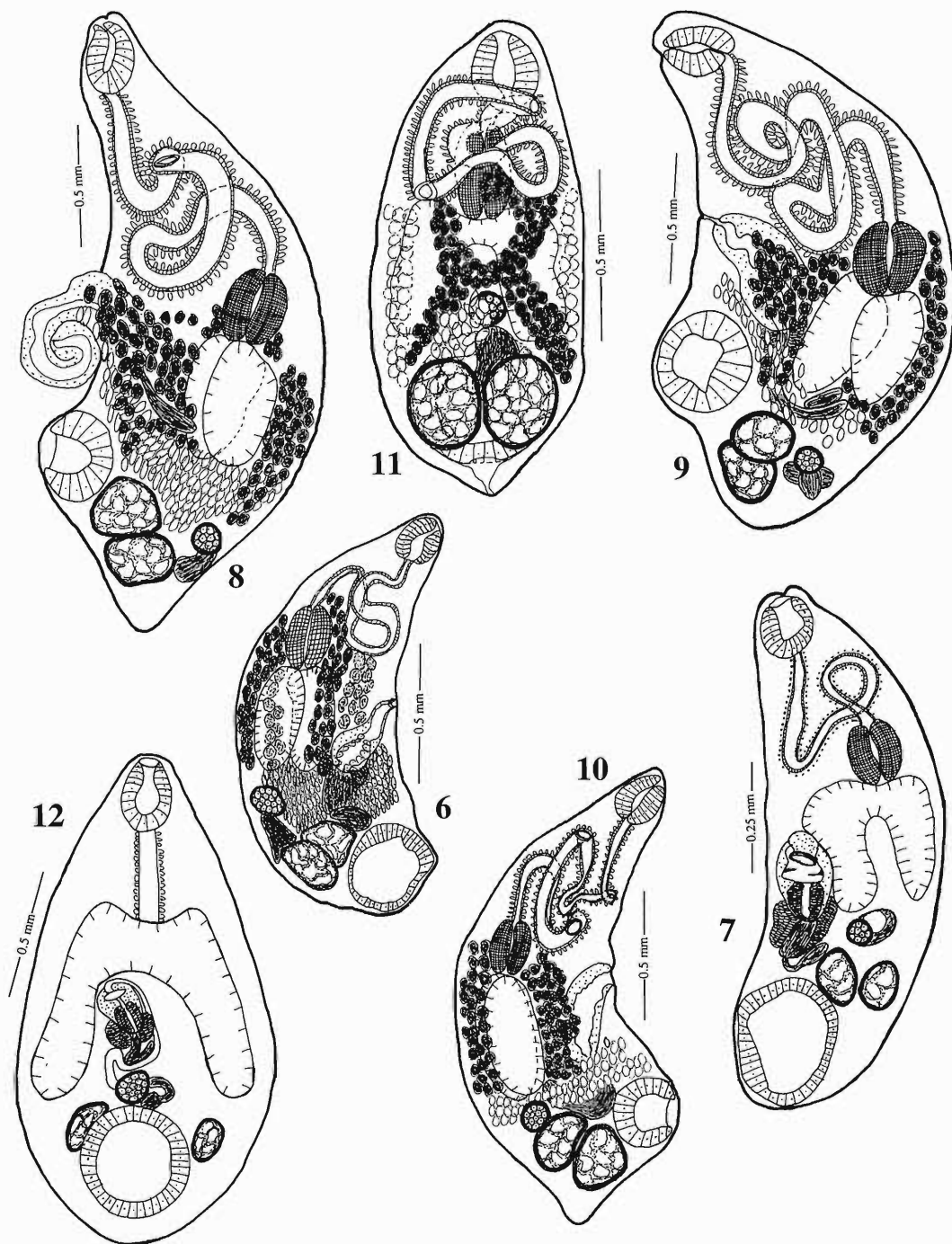
**DESCRIPTION OF HOLOTYPE:** Body crescent-shaped, 1.70 long by 0.65 deep. Cuticle thick and smooth. Oral sucker ovoid, slightly subterminal, 0.20 long by 0.16 wide. Ventral sucker globular, 0.33 long by 0.30 wide, at posterior end of body. Sucker ratio 1:1.76. Prepharynx thick-walled, convoluted, about three-quarters body length, not surrounded by glands. Pharynx oblong, muscular, 0.26 long by 0.15 wide. Esophagus absent. Ceca 2, about two-sevenths body length, occupying middle third of body.

Testes 2, slightly oblique; anterior testis subglobular, 0.26 long by 0.18 wide, left testis subglobular, 0.21 long by 0.18 wide. Seminal vesicle bipartite, saccular parts separated by constriction. Cirrus sac somewhat pyriform, well developed, containing ovoid pars prostatica and cirrus of equal length. Prostatic cells surrounding junction of cirrus sac and seminal vesicle.

Ovary globular, pretesticular, 0.14 long by 0.11 wide, between testes and intestinal ceca. Seminal receptacle not observed. Vitellaria follicular, extending just anterior to pharynx to posterior ends of ceca. Vitelline reservoir triangular, occupying space between testes and ovary. Uterus coiled, containing many eggs. Eggs yellow, ovoid, 55–85  $\mu\text{m}$  long by 30–53  $\mu\text{m}$  wide.

Genital pore ventral, near midbody level. Excretory papilla not evident. Lymphatic system not observed.

**REMARKS:** The only other species of *Gy liauchen* lacking prepharyngeal glands is *G. indicum* (Fig. 17). *Gy liauchen zanclic* differs from *G. indicum* in its smaller size (1.70 by 0.65 com-



Figures 6–12. 6. *Gyliaunchen zancli* sp. n. holotype from *Zanclus cornutus*, Suva, Fiji Islands. Lateral view. 7. *Gyliaunchen* sp. from *Siganus spinus*, Suva, Fiji Islands. Ventral view. 8. *G. nahaensis* Ozaki, 1937, from *Siganus punctatus*, Suva, Fiji Islands. Lateral view. 9. *G. nahaensis* Ozaki, 1937, from *Siganus punctatus*, Suva, Fiji Islands. Lateral view. 10. *G. nahaensis* Ozaki, 1937, from *Zanclus cornutus*, Suva, Fiji Islands. Lateral view. 11. *G. nahaensis* Ozaki, 1937, from *Siganus punctatus*, Suva, Fiji Islands. Dorsal view. 12. *Apharyngogyliaunchen* sp. holotype from *Scarus ghobban*, Suva, Fiji Islands. Ventral view.

pared to 2.11–2.40 by 0.72–0.88), relatively larger pharynx, and smaller testes. The testes in *G. zanzli* are smaller than the ventral sucker; those of *G. indicum* are about the same size. The discovery of another species lacking prepharyngeal glands indicates that this feature is not necessarily a family characteristic even though the majority of species have them. There is no evidence in our specimen of any gland cells that have become exhausted and, therefore, would not stain. It should also be noted that in *G. oligoglandulosus*, Gu and Shen (1979) reported few gland cells surrounding the anterior portion of the prepharynx, but they are apparently absent around the more posterior part.

***Gyiliauchen* sp.**

(Fig. 7)

HOST: *Siganus spinus* (Linnaeus) (Siganidae) 2/2 of 4.

SITE IN HOST: Small intestine.

LOCALITY: Laucala Bay, Suva.

DATE OF COLLECTION: 2 February 1992.

DEPOSITED SPECIMEN: USNM Helm. Coll. No. 83918.

DESCRIPTION (based on 2 specimens, 1 complete and 1 missing ventral sucker): Body convex dorsally, slightly concave ventrally, tapering anteriorly, rounded posteriorly, 1.33 long by 0.40–0.45 in greatest width. Cuticle smooth. Oral sucker globular, subterminal, 0.12–0.14 in diameter. Ventral sucker globular, 0.30 long by 0.25 wide, at posterior end of body. Sucker ratio 1:2.17. Prepharynx with single loop, about three-fourths body length, surrounded by diffuse glands along entire length. Pharynx muscular, ovoid, 0.16–0.19 long by 0.12–0.13 wide. Esophagus absent. Ceca 2, about two-ninths body length, occupying middle third of body.

Testes 2, symmetrical, anterodorsal to acetabulum, right testis globular, 0.13 long by 0.11 wide, left testis globular, 0.12 long by 0.10 wide. Seminal vesicle bipartite, larger anterior segment separated by narrow duct from posterior portion. Cirrus sac containing large, coiled cirrus and ovoid pars prostatica; prostatic cells surrounding junction of cirrus sac and anterior portion of seminal vesicle.

Ovary globular, pretesticular, 0.06 in diameter. Seminal receptacle ovoid, 0.15 long by 0.10 wide, overlapping ovary. Vitellaria not observed. Uterus preovarian. One collapsed egg 73  $\mu$ m long by 30  $\mu$ m wide.

Genital pore ventral to cecal bifurcation. Excretory system not observed. Excretory papilla and lymphatic system not evident.

REMARKS: *Gyiliauchen* sp. from *Siganus spinus* agrees well with other species of *Gyiliauchen* in general body shape and internal anatomy. However, it cannot be further classified because the vitellaria, which are an important specific character, are not evident.

***Gyiliauchen nahaensis* Ozaki, 1937**

(Figs. 8–11, 13, 14)

HOSTS: *Siganus punctatus* (Forster) (Siganidae) 189/1 of 2; *Zanclus cornutus* (Linnaeus) (Zanclidae) 2/1 of 2, new host record.

SITE IN HOSTS: Small intestine.

LOCALITY: Laucala Bay, Suva.

DATE OF COLLECTION: 27 January 1992; 6 February 1992.

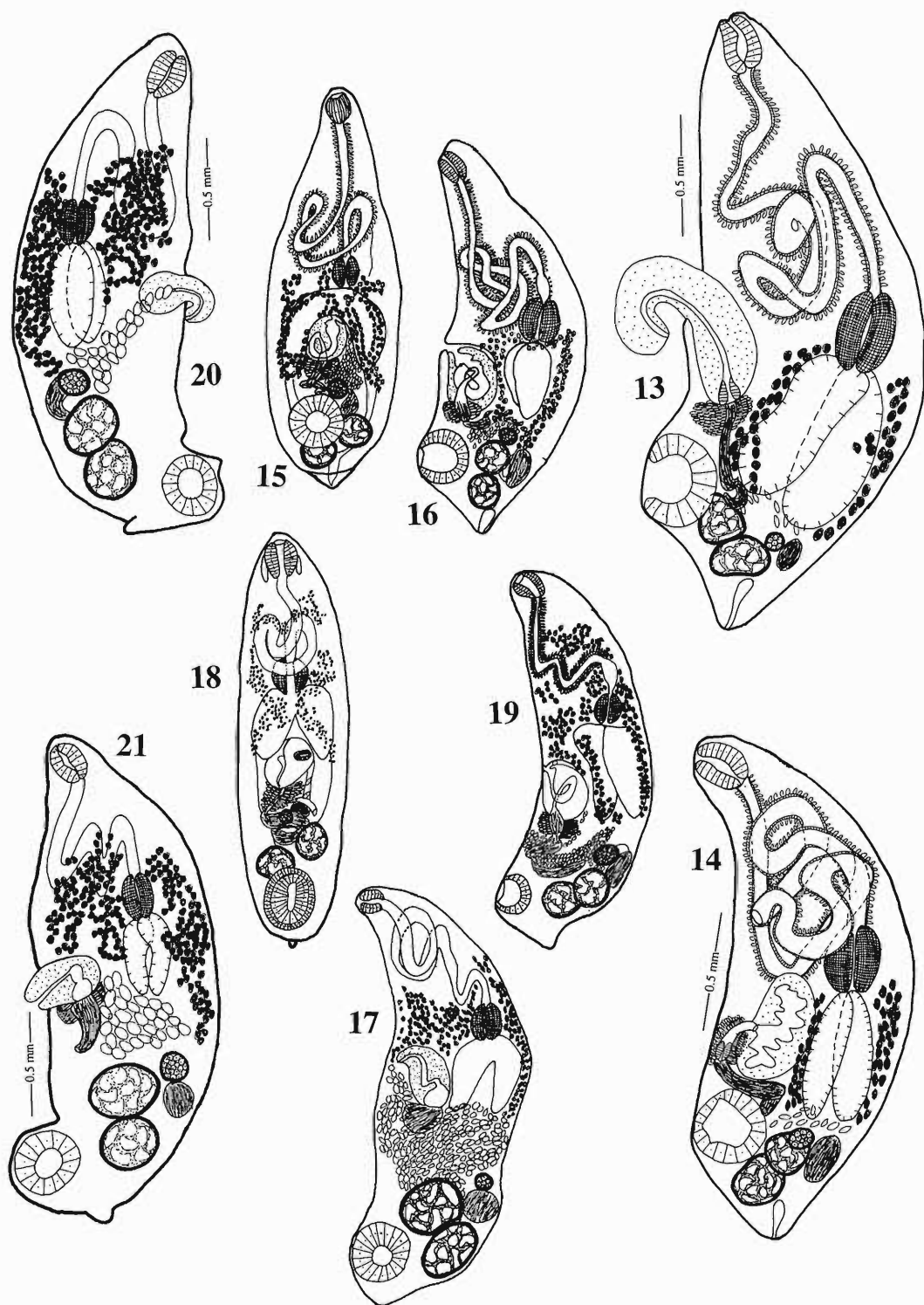
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DESCRIPTION (based on all mature and immature specimens from both host species; measurements on 33 mature specimens from *S.*

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Figures 13–21. 13. *Gyiliauchen nahaensis* Ozaki, 1937, from *Siganus chrysospilos* (= *S. punctatus*), locality unknown. Lateral view. 14. *G. nahaensis* Ozaki, 1937, from *Siganus chrysospilos* (= *S. punctatus*), locality unknown. Ventral view. 15. *G. nahaensis* Ozaki, 1937, from *Siganus punctatus*, Naha, Japan (after Ozaki, 1937b). Ventral view. 16. *G. nahaensis* Ozaki, 1937, from *Siganus punctatus*, Naha, Japan (after Ozaki, 1937). Lateral view. 17. *G. indicum* Gupta and Tandon, 1985, from *Engraulis hamiltoni*, Puri, Orissa, India (after Gupta and Tandon, 1985). Ventral view. 18. *G. papillatus* (Goto and Matsudaira, 1918) from *Siganus fuscescens*, Inland Sea and Pacific Coast of Mie and Wakayama prefectures, Japan (after Goto and Matsudaira, 1918). Ventral view; shows no gland cells surrounding prepharynx—as in original. 19. *G. papillatus* (Goto and Matsudaira, 1918) from *Siganus* sp., Pacific Coast and Inland Sea of Japan (after Ozaki, 1937b). Lateral view; shows gland cells surrounding prepharynx—as in original. 20. *G. papillatus* (Goto and Matsudaira, 1918) from *Anodontostoma chacunda*, Puerto Princesa, Palawan Island, Philippines. Lateral view; gland cells surrounding prepharynx not shown. 21. *G. papillatus* (Goto and Matsudaira, 1918) from *Anodontostoma chacunda*, Puerto Princesa, Palawan Island, Philippines. Lateral view; gland cells surrounding prepharynx not shown.





*punctatus* and 1 from *Z. cornutus*): In life, specimens were orange in color and crescent-shaped; fixed specimens convex dorsally, slightly concave ventrally. Body 1.30–2.45 long by 0.70–1.13 wide, greatest width at or near acetabular level; posterior end broadly pointed forming short, sometimes inconspicuous, excretory papilla. Cuticle thick and smooth. Oral sucker globular, slightly subterminal, 0.20–0.28 long by 0.17–0.24 wide. Ventral sucker globular, 0.27–0.43 long by 0.26–0.45 wide, near posterior end of body. Sucker ratio 1:1.45–1.95. Prepharynx long, convoluted, forming 3–4 coils, measuring about 1.5–2 times body length, surrounded by glands along entire length. Pharynx ovoid to cylindrical, muscular, 0.22–0.39 long by 0.18–0.28 wide. Esophagus absent. Ceca 2, occupying third quarter of body.

Testes 2, usually oblique to slightly tandem, rarely symmetrical, subglobular, dorsal or posterodorsal to ventral sucker, 0.18–0.33 long by 0.13–0.33 wide. Seminal vesicle large, bipartite, parts separated by constriction often concealed by uterus. Cirrus sac well developed, containing ovoid to cylindrical pars prostatica, and large, muscular, eversible cirrus. Numerous prostatic cells surrounding base of cirrus sac at junction with seminal vesicle.

Ovary globular, very small compared to testes, dorsal to anterior testis or junction of testes, 0.08–0.20 long by 0.07–0.15 wide. Seminal receptacle usually spherical, saccate, rarely coiled, larger than and posterodorsal to ovary, 0.10–0.52 long by 0.08–0.22 wide. Vitellaria follicular, extending from about midlevel of pharynx to midlevel of anterior testis, confluent dorsally just posterior to cecal bifurcation. Uterus preovarian. Eggs yellow in life, numerous, 63–85  $\mu$ m long by 35–58  $\mu$ m wide in fixed specimens.

Genital pore midventral near level of cecal bifurcation. Excretory pore opening at posterior end of body. Lymphatic system present, seen in sagittal sections as longitudinal canals extending from near posterior end of body to near oral sucker.

**REMARKS:** This is the fourth report of *Gy. liauchen nahaensis* and the first outside of Japanese waters. In describing *G. nahaensis*, Ozaki (1937b) distinguished it from the other species by the conical shape of the body, absence of excretory papilla, and the postpharyngeal vitellaria; from both *G. papillatus* and *G. tarachodes* by the longer and more convoluted prepharynx, the

subterminal acetabulum, and the testes lying on the posterodorsal side of the body. The Fijian specimens from *Siganus punctatus* (Figs. 8, 9, 11) and *Zanclus cornutus* (Fig. 10) are remarkably similar to 2 specimens (HWML 31261) (Figs. 13, 14) labeled *G. nahaensis* from *Siganus chrysopilos* (= *S. punctatus*) borrowed from the HWML, University of Nebraska. Unfortunately, these specimens, part of a gift to the Manter Laboratory, were labelled only with parasite and host; the geographic origin is unknown. They do, however, share a common host with the Fijian material and agree with the descriptions and measurements provided by Ozaki (1937b) and Yamaguti (1942, 1953).

The specific characters of this species are Vitellaria not extending into prepharyngeal region of body; testes usually oblique or tandem in lateral view, rarely symmetrical in ventral view; and a convoluted prepharynx, 1.5–2 times body length. An excretory papilla is present but poorly developed.

The specimen represented by Figure 11 is a dorsal view and in agreement with the general morphology and measurements of *G. nahaensis* except for the arrangement of the gonads; this specimen (1 out of 191 collected) was specifically manipulated and excessively flattened during live observation to determine the location of the genital pore and the relationship of the internal organs to each other.

The present finding represents a new locality record and includes a new host record.

#### *Apharyngogyliauchen* sp.

(Fig. 12)

**HOST:** *Scarus ghobban* Forsskål (Scaridae) 1/1 of 2.

**SITE IN HOST:** Small intestine.

**TYPE LOCALITY:** Laucala Bay, Suva.

**DATE OF COLLECTION:** 27 January 1992.

**DEPOSITED SPECIMEN:** USNM Helm. Coll. No. 83919.

**DESCRIPTION** (based on a single immature specimen): Body pyriform, 2.03 long by 1.05 wide, greatest width just anterior to ventral sucker. Cuticle smooth. Oral sucker slightly subterminal, somewhat pear-shaped, 0.31 long by 0.24 wide. Ventral sucker spherical, 0.46 in diameter, near posterior end of body. Sucker ratio 1:1.67. Esophagus straight, 0.37 long by 0.10 wide or about one-fifth body length, surrounded by glands



**Table 1.** Host specificity of selected trematode families for species of marine fishes. Families 1-8 are from Curaçao and Jamaica; family 9 is from various parts of the world.

Families of trematodes	Number of species	Number of host species					
		1	2	3	4	5	6+
1. Acanthocolpidae	10	6 (60.0%)	1 (10.0%)	1 (10.0%)		1 (10.0%)	1 (10.0%)
2. Buccaphalidae	15	11 (73.3%)	2 (13.3%)	1 (6.7%)			1 (6.7%)
3. Fellodistomatidae	12	8 (66.7%)	3 (25.0%)				1 (8.3%)
4. Hemiuroidae	23	10 (43.5%)	2 (8.7%)	5 (21.7%)			6 (26.1%)
5. Haploplanchnidae	11	5 (45.5%)	1 (9.1%)	1 (9.1%)		3 (27.3%)	1 (9.1%)
6. Lepocreadiidae	36	25 (69.4%)	7 (19.4%)	2 (5.6%)	1 (2.8%)	1 (2.8%)	
7. Monorchidae	17	10 (58.8%)	3 (17.6%)	2 (11.8%)			2 (11.8%)
8. Opecoelidae	21	12 (57.1%)	5 (23.8%)	2 (9.5%)			2 (9.5%)
9. Gyliachenidae	24	12 (50.0%)	4 (16.7%)	4 (16.7%)	3 (12.5%)	1 (4.2%)	

along entire length. Pharynx absent. Ceca 2, occupying middle third of body.

Testes 2, symmetrical, 1 on each side of anterior half of acetabulum; right testis elongate, 0.20 long by 0.10 wide; left testis ovoid, 0.13 long by 0.10 wide. Seminal vesicle tubular and curved. Cirrus sac tapering posteriorly, enclosing ovoid pars prostatica and cirrus; prostatic cells surrounding junction of cirrus sac with seminal vesicle.

Ovary ovoid, 0.16 long by 0.13 wide, just anterior to acetabulum. Seminal receptacle to left of ovary: anterior portion tubular, curved; posterior portion ovoid. Vitellaria undeveloped. Uterus extending from ovary laterally along left side of cirrus sac to genital atrium. Eggs not present.

Genital pore posterior to intestinal bifurcation, dextral to median line. Excretory system not observed. Excretory papilla absent. Wide canals, extending laterally along both sides from the posterior end to the anterior region of the body, are evident and probably represent a lymphatic system.

**REMARKS:** *Apharyngogyliachen* sp. from *Scarus ghobban* agrees well with other species of *Apharyngogyliachen* in general body shape, internal anatomy, and the absence of a pharynx. However, it cannot be further classified because it is immature, lacking both eggs and vitellaria.

### Discussion

The present survey, part of a collection made during a 3-wk period from 13 January to 7 February 1992 by the senior author, is the third for the Fiji Islands and the second for Suva. In 1951, Manter examined 44 species of fish and recovered 35 species of digenetic trematodes (see Man-

ter, 1953, 1961, 1963a, b, c; Manter and Prince, 1953); the second was reported by Lester et al. (1985) based on collections by the *Hatsutori Maru* and other fishing boats on charter to the government of New Zealand. This collection dealt with parasites of the skipjack, *Katsuwonus pelamis*, captured in various locations in the central and western Pacific including Fijian waters. No gyliachenids were reported in either study. It should be noted, however, that none of the fish species harboring gyliachenids in the Nahhas collection were examined by either Manter or Lester.

The present study adds 3 new species to the family Gyliachenidae and describes, but does not name, 2 additional immature forms, for a total of 24; it also extends the geographic distribution of 1 known species, *G. nahaensis*, to Fijian waters.

Present knowledge indicates that gyliachenids are widely scattered in the Indo-Pacific region, an area that stretches from the coast of East Africa to the easternmost islands of Oceania, as well as to Hawaii and along the Pacific coast of Mexico. Recently, Cribb et al. (1994) reported recovery of at least 9 species of gyliachenids from Heron Island, Great Barrier Reef. There are no reports of any gyliachenids from other parts of the world.

One principle of parasitism suggests that host specificity is related to zoogeography because, by definition, host specificity implies a restricted distribution of a parasite to certain particular host species (Manter, 1957, 1967). Another principle, at least as it applies to digenetic trematodes, is that this group of parasites tends to be more host-specific in their molluscan than in their vertebrate hosts. Consequently, even though a

**Table 2. Host specificity of selected trematode families for genera of marine fishes. Families 1-8 are from Curaçao and Jamaica; family 9 is from various parts of the world.**

Families of trematodes	Number of species	Number of host genera					
		1	2	3	4	5	6+
1. Acanthocolpidae	10	8 (80.0)	1 (10.0%)			1 (10.0%)	
2. Bucephalidae	15	14 (93.3%)		1 (6.7%)			
3. Fellodistomatidae	12	11 (91.7%)			1 (8.3%)		
4. Hemiuridae	23	14 (60.9%)	2 (8.7%)	1 (4.3%)		2 (8.7%)	4 (17.4%)
5. Haplospilachnidae	11	7 (63.6%)	2 (18.2%)	1 (9.1%)	1 (9.1%)		
6. Lepocreadiidae	36	34 (94.4%)	1 (2.8%)	1 (2.8%)			
7. Monorchidae	17	11 (64.7%)	5 (29.4%)			1 (5.9%)	
8. Opecoelidae	21	19 (90.5%)				1 (4.8%)	1 (4.8%)
9. Gyliarchenidae	24	14 (58.3%)	6 (25.0%)	4 (16.7%)			

species of fish may be widely distributed, its parasites are not expected to be similar except in the region where both the definitive and intermediate hosts occur together. It is not the intention of this paper to discuss zoogeography or host specificity in any detail, but a few observations on the family Gyliarchenidae are pertinent.

The 24 species of gyliarchenids, described or reported so far, are known from 42 species of fish representing 13 families (Tables 4, 5). Manter (1957) reviewed and summarized the extent to which digenetic trematodes as a group have been reported from 1 or more species of marine fishes in Tortugas, the Mediterranean, the British Isles, and Japan. Nahhas and Cable (1964) compared their data from Curaçao and Jamaica to that of Manter; more recently, Dyer et al. (1985, 1988, 1992), Barker et al. (1994), and Cribb et al. (1994) have made similar studies. All the preceding data suggest a certain degree of host specificity for digenetic trematodes of marine fishes but do not consider the differences among trematode families. Because the present paper deals

only with the family Gyliarchenidae, it would be relevant to make such a comparison using 9 digenetic families, each represented by 10 or more species from Curaçao and Jamaica. The data extracted from Nahhas and Cable (1964) along with the data on the family Gyliarchenidae are shown in Tables 1-3.

At the host species level (Table 1), 50% of the species of gyliarchenids show specificity to a single host species, 16.7% to 2, 16.7% to 3, 12.5% to 4, and 4.2% to 5. The data from Curaçao and Jamaica suggest that the greatest specificity to 1 host is seen in the bucephalids (73.3%), followed by lepocreadiids (69.4%), fellodistomatids (66.7%), and progressively less for the other trematodes, with least host specificity for the haplospilachnids (45.5%) and the hemiurids (43.5%). Compared to these families, the gyliarchenids are among the least host-specific except for the haplospilachnids and hemiurids.

When the data are considered at the level of the host genus (Table 2), the same families that show highest and lowest specificity at the host

**Table 3. Host specificity of selected trematode families for families of marine fishes. Families 1-8 are from Curaçao and Jamaica; family 9 is from various parts of the world.**

Families of trematodes	Number of species	Number of host families					
		1	2	3	4	5	6+
1. Acanthocolpidae	10	9 (90.0%)			1 (10.0%)		
2. Bucephalidae	15	15 (100%)					
3. Fellodistomatidae	12	11 (91.7%)	1 (8.3%)				
4. Hemiuridae	23	16 (69.6%)	1 (4.3%)	3 (13.0%)	1 (4.3%)		2 (8.6%)
5. Haplospilachnidae	11	10 (90.9%)			1 (9.1%)		
6. Lepocreadiidae	36	34 (94.4%)	2 (5.6%)				
7. Monorchidae	17	14 (82.4%)	2 (11.8%)	1 (5.9%)			
8. Opecoelidae	21	19 (90.5%)	1 (4.8%)				1 (4.8%)
9. Gyliarchenidae	24	16 (66.7%)	6 (25.0%)	2 (8.3%)			

Table 4. Host-parasite list.

Family Acanthuridae
<i>Acanthurus sandvicensis</i> Streets
1. <i>Flagellotrema potteri</i>
<i>Acanthurus</i> sp.
1. <i>Gy liauchen ozakii</i>
<i>Xesurus punctatus</i> Gill
1. <i>Ichthyotrema vogelsangi</i>
<i>Xesurus scalprum</i> (Cuvier and Valenciennes)
1. <i>Gy liauchen caudatus</i>
2. <i>Flagellotrema convolutum</i>
Family Blenniidae
<i>Plagiotremus tapeinosoma</i> (Bleeker)
1. <i>Paragy liauchen chaetodontis</i>
Family Chaetodontidae
<i>Chaetodon corallicola</i> Snyder
1. <i>Flagellotrema chaetodontis</i>
<i>Chaetodon fremblii</i> Bennet
1. <i>Flagellotrema chaetodontis</i>
<i>Chaetodon miliaris</i> Quoy and Gaimard
1. <i>Flagellotrema chaetodontis</i>
<i>Chaetodon multicinctus</i> Garrett
1. <i>Flagellotrema chaetodontis</i>
<i>Chaetodon</i> sp.
1. <i>Paragy liauchen chaetodontis</i>
Family Dorosomidae
<i>Anodontostoma (Dorosoma) chacunda</i> (Fowler and Bean)
1. <i>Gy liauchen papillatus</i>
Family Engraulidae
<i>Engraulis hamiltoni</i> (Cuvier and Valenciennes)
1. <i>Gy liauchen indicum</i>
Family Harpodontidae
<i>Harpodon nehereus</i> Ham
1. <i>Gy liauchen ozakii</i>
Family Labridae
<i>Anampses caeruleopunctatus</i> Rüppell
1. <i>Apharyngogyliauchen callyodontis</i>
<i>Cirrhilabrus</i> sp.
1. <i>Apharyngogyliauchen opisthovarius</i>
Family Pomacanthidae
<i>Arusetta sextriatus</i> (Kuhl and VanHassett)
1. <i>Paragy liauchen arusettae</i>
<i>Centropyge ferrugatus</i> Randall and Burgess
1. <i>Flagellotrema convolutum</i>
<i>Centropyge heraldi</i> Woods and Schultz
1. <i>Paragy liauchen arusettae</i>
<i>Centropyge potteri</i> (Jordan and Metz)
1. <i>Flagellotrema potteri</i>
2. <i>Flagellotrema centropygis</i>
<i>Holacanthus septentrionalis</i> Temminck and Schlegel
1. <i>Paragy liauchen chaetodontis</i>
Family Pomacentridae
<i>Pomacentrus philippinus</i> Evermann and Seale
1. <i>Gy liauchen pomacentri</i> sp. n.
Family Scaridae
<i>Calotomus sandvicensis</i> (Valenciennes)
1. <i>L. magnacirratu</i>
<i>Pseudoscarus harid</i> Forsskål
1. <i>Apharyngogyliauchen callyodontis</i>
2. <i>Gy liauchen volubilis</i>
<i>Scarus dubius</i> Bennet
1. <i>Leptobulbus magnacirratu</i>

Table 4. Continued.

<i>Scarus ghobban</i> Forsskål
1. <i>Apharyngogyliauchen</i> sp.
<i>Scarus sordidus</i> Forsskål
1. <i>Leptobulbus magnacirratu</i>
2. <i>Apharyngogyliauchen scarustis</i>
<i>Scarus (=Callyodon)</i> sp.
1. <i>Apharyngogyliauchen callyodontis</i>
2. <i>Leptobulbus magnacirratu</i>
Family Siganidae
<i>Amphacanthus sigan</i> Rüppell
1. <i>Gy liauchen volubilis</i>
<i>Siganus fuscescens</i> (Houttuyn)
1. <i>Gy liauchen papillatus</i>
<i>Siganus guttatus</i> (Bloch)
1. <i>Gy liauchen oligoglandulosus</i>
<i>Siganus lineatus</i> (Valenciennes)
1. <i>Gy liauchen parapapillatus</i> sp. n.
<i>Siganus (=Teuthis) oramin</i> (Schneider)
1. <i>Gy liauchen ozakii</i>
<i>Siganus punctatus</i> (Forster)
1. <i>Gy liauchen nahaensis</i>
<i>Siganus spinus</i> (Linnaeus)
1. <i>Gy liauchen</i> sp.
<i>Siganus (=Lo) unimaculatus</i> (Evermann and Seale)
1. <i>Gy liauchen nahaensis</i>
<i>Siganus vermiculatus</i> (Valenciennes)
1. <i>Gy liauchen ozakii</i>
<i>Siganus virgatus</i> (Valenciennes)
1. <i>Gy liauchen parapapillatus</i> sp. n.
<i>Siganus (=Teuthis)</i> sp.
1. <i>Gy liauchen nahaensis</i>
<i>Siganus</i> sp.
1. <i>Gy liauchen papillatus</i>
<i>Siganus</i> sp.
1. <i>Gy liauchen parapapillatus</i> sp. n.
Family Tachysuridae
<i>Tachysurus</i> sp.
1. <i>Gy liauchen tarachodes</i>
Family Zanclidae
<i>Zanclus cornutus</i> (Linnaeus)
1. <i>Gy liauchen nahaensis</i>
2. <i>Gy liauchen zancli</i> sp. n.

species level show a similar trend at the host genus level; the lowest specificity is seen in the families Haplospilachnidae and Hemiridae. The gy liauchenids, with a specificity of 58.9%, are the least host-specific among the 9 families.

When the data are considered at the level of host family (Table 3), host specificity is greater than 90.0% for all the families except Monorchiidae (82.4%), Hemiridae (69.4%), and Gy liauchenidae (66.7%). Thus, gy liauchenids are among the least host-specific at all 3 levels.

Based on a review of the literature, a key to all adult species and host-parasite and parasite-host lists are provided.

**Table 5. Parasite-host list.**

Subfamily Apharyngogyliaucheninae Yamaguti, 1942
Genus <i>Apharyngogyliauchen</i> Yamaguti, 1942
<i>A. callyodontis</i> Yamaguti, 1942
1. <i>Anampses caeruleopunctatus</i>
2. <i>Pseudoscaris harid</i>
3. <i>Scarus</i> (= <i>Callyodon</i> ) sp.
<i>A. opisthovarius</i> Gu and Shen, 1983
1. <i>Cirrhilabrus</i> sp.
<i>A. scarustis</i> Gu and Shen, 1983
1. <i>Scarus sordidus</i>
<i>Apharyngogyliauchen</i> sp.
1. <i>Scarus ghobban</i>
Subfamily Gyliaucheninae Fukui, 1929
Genus <i>Flagellotrema</i> Ozaki, 1936
<i>F. centropygis</i> Yamaguti, 1970
1. <i>Centropyge potteri</i>
<i>F. chaetodontis</i> (Manter and Pritchard, 1962)
Yamaguti, 1970
1. <i>Chaetodon corallicola</i>
2. <i>Chaetodon fremblii</i>
3. <i>Chaetodon miliaris</i>
4. <i>Chaetodon multicinctus</i>
<i>F. convolutum</i> Ozaki, 1936
1. <i>Xesurus scalprum</i>
2. <i>Centropyge ferrugatus</i>
<i>F. potteri</i> Yamaguti, 1970
1. <i>Centropyge potteri</i>
2. <i>Acanthurus sandvicensis</i>
Genus <i>Gyliauchen</i> Nicoll, 1915
<i>G. caudatus</i> (Ozaki, 1933)
1. <i>Xesurus scalprum</i>
<i>G. indicum</i> Gupta and Tandon, 1985
1. <i>Engraulis hamiltoni</i>
<i>G. nahaensis</i> Ozaki, 1937
1. <i>Siganus punctatus</i>
2. <i>Siganus</i> (= <i>Lo</i> ) <i>unimaculatus</i>
3. <i>Siganus</i> (= <i>Teuthis</i> ) sp.
4. <i>Zanclus cornutus</i>
<i>G. oligoglandulosus</i> Gu and Shen, 1979
1. <i>Siganus guttatus</i>
<i>G. ozakii</i> Srivastava, 1938
1. <i>Acanthurus</i> sp.
2. <i>Harpodon nehereus</i>
3. <i>Siganus</i> (= <i>Teuthis</i> ) <i>oramin</i>
4. <i>Siganus vermiculatus</i>
<i>G. papillatus</i> (Goto and Matsudaira, 1918) Goto, 1919
1. <i>Anodontostoma chacunda</i>
2. <i>Siganus fuscescens</i>
3. <i>Siganus</i> sp.
<i>G. parapapillatus</i> sp. n.
1. <i>Siganus lineatus</i>
2. <i>Siganus virgatus</i>
3. <i>Siganus</i> sp.
<i>Gyliauchen pomacentri</i> sp. n.
1. <i>Pomacentrus philippines</i>
<i>G. tarachodes</i> Nicoll, 1915
1. <i>Tachysurus</i> sp.
<i>G. volubilis</i> Nagaty, 1956
1. <i>Amphacanthus sigan</i>
2. <i>Pseudoscaris harid</i>

**Table 5. Continued.**

<i>Gyliauchen zancli</i> sp. n.
1. <i>Zanclus cornutus</i>
<i>Gyliauchen</i> sp.
1. <i>Siganus spinus</i>
Genus <i>Ichthyotrema</i> Caballero and Bravo-Hollis, 1953
<i>I. vogelsangi</i> Caballero and Bravo-Hollis, 1953
1. <i>Xesurus punctatus</i>
Genus <i>Leptobulbus</i> Manter and Pritchard, 1962
<i>L. magnacirratus</i> Manter and Pritchard, 1962
1. <i>Calotomus sandvicensis</i>
2. <i>Scaridea zonarcha</i>
3. <i>Scarus dubius</i>
4. <i>Scarus sordidus</i>
5. <i>Scarus</i> (= <i>Callyodon</i> ) sp.
Genus <i>Paragyliauchen</i> Yamaguti, 1934
<i>P. arusettae</i> Machida, 1984
1. <i>Arusetta sextriatus</i>
2. <i>Centropyge heraldi</i>
<i>P. chaetodontis</i> Yamaguti, 1934
1. <i>Chaetodon</i> sp.
2. <i>Holacanthus septentrionalis</i>
3. <i>Plagiotremus tapeinosoma</i>

**Key to Species of the Family Gyliauchenidae**

1a. Pharynx absent	2
1b. Pharynx present	4
2a. Testes larger than ventral sucker; ovary anterior to ventral sucker	
..... <i>Apharyngogyliauchen callyodontis</i>	
2b. Testes about same size or smaller than ventral sucker; ovary dorsal to ventral sucker	3
3a. Testes about same size as ventral sucker; ovary intertesticular	
..... <i>Apharyngogyliauchen opisthovarius</i>	
3b. Testes much smaller than ventral sucker; ovary pretesticular	
..... <i>Apharyngogyliauchen scarustis</i>	
4a. Pharynx poorly developed	
..... <i>Leptobulbus magnacirratus</i>	
4b. Pharynx well developed	5
5a. Testes symmetrical and posterior to ventral sucker	6
5b. Testes symmetrical, oblique, or tandem and anterodorsal to posterodorsal to ventral sucker	7
6a. Vitellaria follicular; genital pore anterior to cecal bifurcation	
..... <i>Paragyliauchen chaetodontis</i>	
6b. Vitellaria ramiform; genital pore posterior to cecal bifurcation	
..... <i>Paragyliauchen arusettae</i>	
7a. Prepharynx straight; ovary greatly posttesticular	
..... <i>Ichthyotrema vogelsangi</i>	
7b. Prepharynx sigmoid, coiled, or convoluted; ovary pre-, inter-, or slightly posttesticular	8
8a. Ovary intertesticular or slightly posttesticular; testes anterior to ventral sucker	9

- 8b. Ovary pretesticular or dorsal to testes; testes anterior, at same level, or posterior to ventral sucker ..... 12
- 9a. Pharynx at least as large as ventral sucker ..... *Flagellotrema centropygis*
- 9b. Pharynx smaller than ventral sucker ..... 10
- 10a. Genital pore at level of posterior end of ceca ..... *Flagellotrema convolutum*
- 10b. Genital pore at about level of cecal bifurcation ..... 11
- 11a. Testes smaller than pharynx ..... *Flagellotrema chaetodontis*
- 11b. Testes about same size or larger than pharynx ..... *Flagellotrema potteri*
- 12a. Prepharynx relatively short and slightly sinuous ..... 13
- 12b. Prepharynx long and coiled ..... 14
- 13a. Testes dorsal to ventral sucker with 1 testis located in the basal part of the excretory papilla; oral sucker slightly larger than pharynx; genital sphincter present ..... *Gy liauchen caudatum*
- 13b. Testes anterodorsal to ventral sucker; oral sucker at least twice the diameter of the pharynx; genital sphincter absent ..... *Gy liauchen pomacentri* sp. n.
- 14a. Prepharynx surrounded by glands ..... 15
- 14b. Prepharynx not surrounded by glands ..... 16
- 15a. Vitellaria usually not extending anteriorly beyond anterior level of the pharynx ..... 17
- 15b. Vitellaria extending anteriorly to at least mid-prepharyngeal level ..... 18
- 16a. Testes smaller than ventral sucker ..... *Gy liauchen zancli* sp. n.
- 16b. Testes about same size or larger than ventral sucker ..... *Gy liauchen indicum*
- 17a. Testes dorsal or posterodorsal to ventral sucker ..... *Gy liauchen nahaensis*
- 17b. Testes anterior or anterodorsal to ventral sucker ..... 19
- 18a. Vitellaria extensive, evenly distributed in prepharyngeal region, extending anteriorly to near oral sucker ..... *Gy liauchen volubilis*
- 18b. Vitellaria less extensive than above, not evenly distributed in prepharyngeal region, not reaching anteriorly to oral sucker ..... 20
- 19a. Seminal receptacle about same size or smaller than testes; seminal vesicle sacular and trilobed ..... *Gy liauchen tarachodes*
- 19b. Seminal receptacle usually larger than testes; seminal vesicle tubular and convoluted ..... *Gy liauchen oligoglandulosus*
- 20a. Chitinous process in genital sinus present ..... *Gy liauchen ozakii*
- 20b. Chitinous process in genital sinus absent ..... 21
- 21a. Prepharynx shorter than body length; ceca shorter than one-third body length ..... *Gy liauchen papillatus*
- 21b. Prepharynx longer than body length; ceca about one-third body length ..... *Gy liauchen parapapillatus* sp. n.

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